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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A dispenser capable of dispensing articles from two locations and having a first longitudinal edge and an oppositely aligned second longitudinal edge, said dispenser comprising:

a) a first member;

b) a second member pivotally connected to said first member by a first hinge located along said first longitudinal edge to form a first entrance into said dispenser, said first and second members capable of housing a plurality of articles, and said second member having a second entrance formed therein; and

c) a third member secured to said second member by a second hinge located along said second longitudinal edge at a first location and having a hinge spaced apart from said first location, and said third member capable of pivoting on said second hinge to cover said second entrance.

2. (Original) The dispenser of claim 1 wherein said first, second and third members are integrally formed as a single entity.

3. (Original) The dispenser of claim 2 wherein said single entity is formed by injection molding.

4. (Currently amended) The dispenser of claim 1 wherein said dispenser has a generally rectangular configuration with a longitudinal axis, a transverse axis and a vertical axis, ~~said dispenser having a first longitudinal edge spaced apart and oppositely aligned to a second longitudinal edge, said first member being pivotally connected to said second member by a first hinge located along said first longitudinal edge, and said third member capable of pivoting on said hinge which is located along said second longitudinal edge.~~

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5. (Currently amended) The dispenser of claim [4] 1 wherein said second entrance is an aperture having an elliptical configuration with a major axis aligned parallel to said transverse axis of said dispenser.

6. (Original) The dispenser of claim 4 wherein said dispenser has a height, measured along said vertical axis, of about 1 inch.

7. (Currently amended) The dispenser of claim 1 wherein said third member can remain in a closed position ~~covering~~ covering said second entrance when said first entrance is opened.

8. (Original) The dispenser of claim 1 wherein said third member pivots away from said second member to open said second entrance in a direction opposite to the direction that said second member pivots away from said first member to open said first entrance.

9. (Original) The dispenser of claim 7 wherein said third member pivots away from said second member to open said second entrance at a 180° orientation to the direction that said second member pivots away from said first member to open said first entrance.

10. (Currently amended) A dispenser capable of dispensing articles from two locations and having a first longitudinal edge and an oppositely aligned second longitudinal edge, said dispenser comprising:

- a) a first member;
- b) a second member pivotally connected to said first member by a first hinge located along said first longitudinal edge to form a first entrance into said dispenser, said first and second members capable of housing a plurality of sheet-like articles, and said second member having a second entrance formed therein; and
- c) a third member secured to said second member by a second hinge located along said second longitudinal edge at a first location and having a second hinge spaced apart from said first location, said third member capable of pivoting on said second hinge at least about 225 degrees to cover said second entrance, and said first, second and third members being formed as a single entity.

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11. (Original) The dispenser of claim 10 wherein said second member has an upper surface, and said third member has an upper surface which is substantially flush with said upper surface of said second member when said third member is covering said second entrance.

12. (Original) The dispenser of claim 10 wherein said dispenser has a generally rectangular configuration with a longitudinal axis, a transverse axis and a vertical axis, said dispenser having a first longitudinal edge spaced apart and oppositely aligned to a second longitudinal edge, and said dispenser having a height, measured along said vertical axis, of less than about 3 inches.

13. (Original) The dispenser of claim 12 wherein said second member is pivotally connected to said first member along said first longitudinal edge and said third member is secured to said second member along said second longitudinal edge.

14. (Original) The dispenser of claim 12 wherein said first member has a pair of spaced apart finger tabs projecting transversely outward from said second longitudinal edge, said second member has a single finger tab projecting transversely outward from said second longitudinal edge, and said single finger tab is positioned between said pair of finger tabs to enable said second member to be easily opened by a user with either hand.

15. (Original) The dispenser of claim 12 wherein each of said sheet-like articles is folded to a predetermined width, said second entrance has an elliptical configuration with a major axis aligned parallel to said transverse axis, and said second entrance has a maximum dimension which ranges from between about 70% to about 100% of the width of said sheet-like articles.

16. (Currently amended) A dispenser capable of dispensing articles from two locations and having a first longitudinal edge and an oppositely aligned second longitudinal edge, said dispenser comprising:

- a) a first member;
- b) a second member pivotally connected to said first member by a first hinge located along said first longitudinal edge to form a first entrance into said dispenser, said first and second

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members capable of housing a plurality of folded sheet-like articles each having a width, said second member having a second entrance formed therein, said second entrance is an aperture having an elliptical configuration and said second entrance having a maximum dimension which ranges from between about 70% to about 100% of the width of said folded sheet-like articles; and

c) a third member secured to said second member by a second hinge located along said second longitudinal edge at a first location and having a second hinge spaced apart from said first location, and said third member capable of pivoting on said second hinge to cover said second entrance.

17. (Original) The dispenser of claim 16 wherein said second entrance has a maximum dimension which ranges from between about 75% to about 95% of the width of said folded sheet-like articles.

18. (Currently amended) The dispenser of claim 16 wherein said second entrance has an ~~elliptical configuration~~ having a major axis aligned parallel to the transverse axis of said dispenser, and said second entrance has an area of at least about 20 cm².

19. (Original) The dispenser of claim 16 wherein said second entrance has an area of at least about 25 cm².

20. (Original) The dispenser of claim 16 wherein said third member pivots away from said second member to open said second entrance in a direction opposite to the direction that said second member pivots away from said first member to open said first entrance.

21. (Original) The dispenser of claim 16 wherein said third member can pivot at least about 180 degrees from its position wherein it covers said second entrance and be used to hold said dispenser stationary.

22. (Original) The dispenser of claim 21 wherein said third member can pivot at least about 225 degrees from its position wherein it covers said second entrance and be used to hold said dispenser stationary.

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23. (Original) The dispenser of claim 22 wherein said third member can pivot at least about 270 degrees from its position wherein it covers said second entrance and be used to hold said dispenser stationary.